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INTRODUCTION: I'm going to ask you some questions about jobs you've had for three months or more since you were 13-years-old. This work history includes all full-time and part-time jobs you've had as a paid or unpaid work ,homemaker, volunteer, or student. Please include all work you've done for at least three months total; that means that if you worked at a job for a few weeks each year for several years, you probably worked at that job for three months. We'll discuss full-time homemaking first.

SECTION: FULL-TIME HOME MAKING

Q1. Have you ever been a full-time homemaker?

YES 1

NO 5 (Q6)

Q2. What was the month and year when you first started being a full-time homemaker?

/__/_/ AND /__/_/_/_/ OR /__/_/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

Q3. Have you continued to be a full-time homemaker since then until now, have you combined full-time homemaking with other work, or have you stopped being a full-time homemaker?

CONTINUED FT HOME MAKING 1 (Q5)

COMBINED FT HOME MAKING WITH OTHER WK 3

STOPPED FT HOME MAKING 5

Q4. What was the month and year when you (started combining homemaking with other work/stopped being a full-time homemaker)?

/__/_/ AND /__/_/_/_/ OR /__/_/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

Q5. In total about how many years (have you spent/did you spend) as a full-time homemaker?

/__/_/
YEARS

Q6. From the time you were 13 until you were (AGE AT REFERENCE DATE) have you had any part-time or full-time jobs (besides homemaking)? This includes summer jobs, week-end jobs, volunteering, and paid or unpaid work around your home, neighborhood, community or family business. Remember, this is work you did for a total of three months or more.

YES 1

NO 5 (Q33)

SECTION: FULL- AND PART-TIME PAID AND UNPAID WORK

Q7. What was the first job you had for three months or longer? What was your job title?

(JOB TITLE)

Q8. (What was the month and year/How old were you) when you started this job?

/__/__/ AND /__/__/__/_/ OR /__/___/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

Q9. (What was the month and year/How old were you) when you left this job?

/__/__/ AND /__/__/__/_/ OR /__/___/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

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Q10. How many hours a week (did/do) you usually work at that job?

/__/___/
(HOURS PER WEEK)

Q11. (Did/Do) you regularly work after midnight on that job? By regularly, I mean at least four days a month for one year or more.

YES 1

NO 5

Q12. Which term best describes the organization where you work(s/ed) at this job? Would you say it (is/was) a:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------|---|
| business, | 1 |
| industry | 2 |
| government, | 3 |
| educational institution, | 4 |
| non-profit or charitable organization, or | 5 |
| something else? OTHER (SPECIFY) | 6 |

PROBE: What (does/did) the organization do? What products does it produce? What are its activities? What services does it provide?

Q13. What is the city and state or foreign country where (this/that) job (is/was) located?

(CITY AND STATE/ OR FOREIGN COUNTRY)

Q14. What sort of work (did/do) you do on that job? What (were/are) your activities and duties on (this/that) job?

(ACTIVITIES AND DUTIES)

Q15. Which of the following best describes your employment status in that job? (Were/Are) you an employee for a wage or salary, self-employed, or (did/do) you work without pay, for example in a family business or farm?

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|--------------------|---------|
| EMPLOYEE | 1 (Q17) |
| SELF-EMPLOYED | 3 |
| WORKED WITHOUT PAY | 5 (Q17) |

Q16. How many employees (did/do) you have, not counting yourself?

/ ___ / ___ / ___ / (Q20)
(# OF EMPLOYEES)

Q17. Which of the following best describes the position that you (have) held within the organization?
(Were/Are) you:

managerial,	1
supervisory, or	3
non-management?	5

Q18. (Did/Do) you supervise anyone at this job?

YES	1
NO	5 (Q20)

Q19. (Did/Does) anyone, whom you supervise, supervise someone else?

YES	1
NO	5

Q20. How frequently (were/are) you free to make decisions about how to do your job? Would you say:

usually,	1
sometimes,	3
rarely, or	5
never?	7

Q21. (Did/Do) you use any tools and equipment on that job?

YES	1
NO	5 (Q 23)

Q22. What tools and equipment (did/do) you use on that job?

(TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT)

Q23. (Did/Do) you use any materials and chemicals on that job?

YES	1	
NO	5	(Q25)

Q24. What materials and chemicals (did/do) you use on that job?

(MATERIALS AND CHEMICALS)

Q25. (Was/Is) there a safety and health or industrial hygiene program at that worksite?

YES	1	
NO	5	(Q27)

Q26. (Was/Is) this an active program that (was/is) used by employees and management?

YES	1	
NO	5	

Q27. (Did/Do) you wear any protective clothing, gloves, or a protective mask on that job?

YES	1	
NO	5	

INTRODUCTION: I'm going to ask about substances, pollution and radiation you may have been exposed to at work. We're interested in whether you were regularly exposed at work. Regularly means at least two hours per week all or almost all the time you worked at this job.

Q28. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to cigarette, cigar, or pipe smoke on that job?

YES	1	
NO	5	

Q29. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to sources of pollution on that job? Those sources could be an incinerator, foundry, smokestack, shipyard, or chemicals such as pesticides, fertilizers, dust or smoke.

YES

1 → What (were/are) those pollution sources? _____

NO

5

Q30. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to radiation on that job? Sources of radiation could be x-ray equipment, microwaves, a nuclear reactor, computers or electronic equipment?

YES

1 → What (were/are) those radiation sources? _____

NO

5

Q31. Did you work at another job at the same time you had this job? We've already discussed full-time homemaking, but did you do part-time homemaking, or other paid or unpaid work, or volunteering, such as a summer job, or week-end job?

YES

1

(Let's discuss that job next. CONTINUATION SHEET)

NO

5

Q32 Did you have another job after that one?

YES

1

NO

5

(Q33)

USE CONTINUATION SHEETS TO ASK Q8 THROUGH Q32 ABOUT THE NEXT AND ALL SUCCEEDING JOBS.

SECTION: SCHOOL

Q33. Since you've been an adult, have you gone back to school, either full- or part-time?

YES	1
NO	5 (Q48)

Q34 (What was the month and year/How old were you) when you left school for the first time as a child or teenager, or because you graduated?

/__/_/ AND /__/_/_/_/ OR /__/_/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

Q35. (What was the month and year/How old were you) when you went back to school as an adult?

/__/_/ AND /__/_/_/_/ OR /__/_/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

Q36. (What was the month and year/How old were you) when you left or graduated school as an adult?

/__/_/ AND /__/_/_/_/ OR /__/_/
(MONTH) (YEAR) (AGE)

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Q37. What was your major course or courses of study?

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

[MAJOR COURSE(S) OF STUDY]

Q38. (Did/Do) you use any tools and equipment in your studies?

YES	1
NO	5 (Q 40)

Q39. What tools and equipment (did/do) you use in your studies?

(TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT)

Q40. (Did/Do) you use any materials and chemicals in your studies?

YES	1	
NO	5	(Q42)

Q41. What materials and chemicals (did/do) you use in your studies?

(MATERIALS AND CHEMICALS)

Q42. (Was/Is) there a safety and health or industrial hygiene program at the school or in the classrooms?

YES	1	
NO	5	(Q44)
DK	9	(Q44)

Q43. (Was/Is) this an active program that (was/is) used by students and the faculty?

YES	1	
NO	5	

Q44. (Did/Do) you wear any protective clothing, gloves, or a protective mask in your studies?

YES	1	
NO	5	

Q45. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to cigarette, cigar, or pipe smoke in your studies? By regularly, I mean at least two hours per week on a consistent basis.

YES 1

NO 5

Q46. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to sources of pollution in your studies? Those sources could be an incinerator, foundry, smokestack, shipyard, or chemicals such as pesticides, fertilizers, dust or smoke.

YES 1 → What (were/are) those pollution sources? _____

NO 5 _____

Q47. (Were/Are) you regularly exposed to radiation in your studies? Sources of radiation could be x-ray equipment, microwaves, a nuclear reactor, computers or electronic equipment?

YES 1 → What (were/are) those radiation sources? _____

NO 5 _____

Q48. Is there anything else you would like us to know about your work history or things you might have been exposed to at work?

Thank you for your help and participation in this study.